

WHAT'S NEW

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Singles

- QUEEN: "We Are The Champions" (EMI 2707).
- DARYL HALL & JOHN OATES: "Why Do Lovers Break Each Other's Heart?" (RCA PB1132). Taken from the album "Beauty On A Backstreet", just released.
- TONY VISCONTI: "Mope-itty Mope Stamp" (Mercury 6007150). From his first album "Visconti's Inventory", out this week.
- ROXY MUSIC: "Virginia Plain" (Polydor 2011739). "Pyjamarama" is the flip side this time around, which makes it pretty good value for money.
- ULTRAVOX: "Rockwork" (Island WIP 6404).
- BEE GEES: "How Deep Is Your Love" (Polydor 2090259).
- STEVE GIBBONS BAND: "Tupelo Mississippi Flash" (Polydor 2058940). A new recording of the track, taken from their "Rollin' On" album. Produced by Kenny Laguna, the single co-incides with their new album "Caught In The Act".
- KURSAAL FLYERS: "Television Live" (CBS 5706).
- LONE STAR: "Seasons In Your Eyes" (CBS 5707).
- CHEAP TRICK: "I Want You To Want Me" (Epic EPC 5701). Being hailed in America as a really important new band.
- RUMOUR: "I'm So Glad" (Vertigo 6059181).
- TOM ROBINSON: "2, 4, 6, 8, Motorway" (EMI 2715).
- NO DICE: "Silly Girl" (EMI 2709).
- ROGER WHITTAKER: "Seagull" (EMI 2712).
- SAINTS: "Lipstick On Your Collar" (Harvest HAR 5137).
- BRECKER BROTHERS: "Finger Lickin' Good" (Arista 177). Have they had permission from Colonel Sanders?
- RACING CARS: "Down By The River (Swampy)" (Chrysalis CHS 2182). One of the strongest tracks from their recent second album "Weekend Rendezvous".

Albums

- DAVID BOWIE: "Heroes" (RCA PL 12522). Much-acclaimed new album featuring Bob Fripp and Brian Eno as well as his regular backing band.
- LEO SAYER: "Thunder In My Heart" (Chrysalis CHR 1154). Produced again by Richard Perry, as was his last album "Endless Flight", and confirming his change towards a more commercial sound.
- ROBIN TROWER: "In City Dreams" (Chrysalis CHR 1148). A startling change from the man often regarded as a poor man's Hendrix.
- NILS LOFGREN: "Night After Night" (A&M LM68439). A double live album.
- THE PIRATES: "Out Of Their Skulls" (Warners K56411). And so will you be after a listen to this.
- WAR: "Platinum Funk" (Island ILPS 9507).
- IAN GILLAN BAND: "Scarabus" (Island ILPS 9511).
- MÖE BANDY: "Cowboys Ain't Supposed To Cry" (CBS 82295).
- BOBBY GOLDSBORO: "Goldsboro" (Epic EPC 82038).
- ARCHIE BELL AND THE DRELLS: "Hard Not To Like It" (Philadelphia PIR 82195).
- SPLINTER: "Two Man Band" (Dark Horse K 56403).
- THE EVERLY BROTHERS: "The New Everly Brothers Album" (Warners K 56415).
- STOMU YAMASHTA: "Go Too" (Arista Sparty 1011).
- GORDON GILTRAP BAND: "Perilous Journey" (TRIX 4).
- GEORGIE FAITH: "To Be A Lover" (Island ILPS 9504).
- ALFALPHA: "Alfalpa" (EMI EMC 3213).

Imports

- JUST WATER: "The Riff" (Branded LP LPS 2072). Highly recommended garage album in the sophisticated heavy metal vein.
- BILLY JOEL: "The Stranger" (CBS JC 34967). Huge in the States, Joel still has little following here. A gifted singer/songwriter.
- BILL WITHERS: "Menagerie" (CBS JC 34903). Velvet-voiced suburban soul.
- VARIOUS ARTISTS: "Bionic Gold" (Big Sound 001). Updated versions of Phil Spector songs by a band that includes Phil Rambeau (ex-Winkies).
- VARIOUS ARTISTS: "Max's Kansas City Vol. II" (Ram 2213). Features Phil Rambeau (again), Just Water (again), the Fast, the Brats, Grand Slam and Lance.
- TAVARES: "Best Of Tavares" (Capitol ST 11701). Self-explanatory.
- LARRY JOHN WILSON: "Loose Change" (Monument MG 7615). Progressive c&w in the Guy Clark mould.
- ARTHUR PRYDOCK: "Arthur Prydock Does It Again" (Old Town 12/005). Blues 'n' soul man returns.
- BAREFOOT JERRY: "Barefootin'" (Monument MG 7610). Band with a fanatical cult following.
- DILLARDS: "The Dillards Vs. The L.A. Time Machine" (Flying Fish 040). Could it be a c&w concept album?
- ESTHER PHILLIPS: "You've Come A Long Way Baby" (Mercury 11827).
- DON HARRISON: "Not Far From Here" (Mercury 1185).
- SIERRA: "Sierra" (Mercury 1179). Daunting castlist of Sneaky Peter, Felix Pappalardi and Gib Gilbeau.
- GRACE JONES: "Portfolio" (Island 9470). Hottest soul import of the week - disco with some gay colouring.
- JIMMY SMITH: "Necessary (Live)" (Mercury 1189).
- VARIOUS ARTISTS: "Outlaw Blues" (Capitol ST 11691). Soundtrack from new movie of same name starring Peter Fonda. Musicians include Jerry Jeff Walker, Hoyt Axton, Doug Dillard and Skunk Baxter.



QUEEN: single / NILS LOFGREN: album/BILLY JOEL: import

Coming events

WISHBONE ASH: Newcastle City Hall (October 16), Glasgow Apollo (17), Sheffield City Hall (18), Birmingham Odeon (20), Liverpool Empire (21), Manchester Bellevue (22), Leicester De Montfort (24), Coventry Theatre (25), Cardiff Capital (26), Southampton Gaumont (27), London Wembley Empire Pool (31).

THE DRIFTERS: Wakefield Theatre Club (October 12-15), Birmingham Nite Out (17-22), Nottingham Heart of Midlands (26-29), Chester Deeside Leisure Centre (30), Stockton-on-Tees Fiesta (31 and November 1), Aberystwyth Great Hall (3), Eastbourne Kings Club (4 & 5), Stoke-on-Trent Jollies (7 & 8), Loxton Webbington Country Club (10), Liverpool Empire Theatre (11), Blackburn Cavendish Club (12), Caerphilly Double Diamond (13-19), Batley Variety Club (20-26), Stockport Quaffers (27-29), Farnworth Blightys (30 and December 1-3), Glasgow Apollo (4), Watford Bailey's (5-10).

SLIM WHITMAN: Gloucester Leisure Centre (October 12), Croydon Fairfield Halls (13), Hanley Odeon (14), Coventry Theatre (15), Norwich Theatre Royal (16), Edinburgh Usher Hall (19), Aberdeen Music Hall (20), Middlesbrough Town Hall (21), Liverpool Empire (22), Blackpool Opera House (23), Inverness Eden Court (26), Bristol Colston Hall (28), Taunton Odeon (29), Terquay Princess Theatre (30), Wakefield Theatre Club (November 1), Chelmsford Odeon (3), Ipswich Gaumont (4), Peterborough ABC (5), London Palladium (6), Folkestone Leascliff Hall (9), Brighton Dome (10), Southampton Gaumont (11), Southport Theatre (12), Stockport Davenport Theatre (13).

FABULOUS: Scarborough Ollies (October 13), Leicester Digby Hall (14), Bexley Black Prince (15).

POODLES: The Runaways: Dublin Stadium (October 26), Belfast Ulster Hall (27), Paris



WISHBONE ASH: on tour

Liverpool Eric's (16), London Goldsmiths College (21), Plymouth Castaways (24), Cardiff Top Rank (25), Bristol Polytechnic (27), Twickenham St Mary's College (28), Leeds Polytechnic (31), Wolverhampton Lafayette (4), West Runton Pavilion (5), St Albans Civic Hall (8), Manchester University (9), Huddersfield Polytechnic (10), London Kings College (18), Plymouth Castaways (21), Penzance Winter Gardens (24), London City University (25), Chelmsford Chancellor Hall (27).

Olympia (30), Sheffield City Hall (7), Birmingham Odeon (9), Newcastle City Hall (10), Glasgow Apollo (11), Manchester Free Trade Hall (12), London Hammersmith Odeon (13).

BURLESQUE: Portsmouth Polytechnic (13), Kingston Polytechnic (15), London Music Machine (20), Bedford Nite Spot (21), Oxford Polytechnic (22), Sheffield Top Rank (24), Penzance Winter Gardens (27), Plymouth Castaways (28), Bristol Polytechnic (29).

TYLA GANG: Strathclyde University (October 13), Aberdeen University (14), Dundee Marriot Hall (15), High Wycombe Nags Head (20), Burton-on-Trent 76 Club (21), London Thames Polytechnic (22), London Marquee (25), Birkenhead Mr. Digbys (27), North Staffs Polytechnic (28), Dudley J.B.'s (29), Newbridge Mermaid Hall (30), Merthyr Tydfil (31), Birmingham Barbarellas (November 1), Wolverhampton Lafayette (2), Coventry Mr. Georges (3), London Kingston Polytechnic (4), London Imperial College (5), London Marquee (8), Twickenham St Mary's College (9), Warwick University (10), Harrogate P.G.'s Club (11), University of East Anglia (12), Manchester Rafter's (17), London South Bank Polytechnic (18), Plymouth Castaways (23), Penzance Winter Gardens (24), Basingstoke Technical College (25), London North East Polytechnic (26), London Marquee (29).

29th & DEARBORN: Wigan Plutos (October 12), Weaverham Salter (14), Liverpool Eric's (17), Wigan Pemp's Place (20), Manchester Bellevue (22), Chester Quaintways (24), Liverpool Sportsman (30).

WINDOW: London Kings College (October 12), Lancaster "12" Club (13), Warrington Padgate College (14).

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